

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 413,
TWIN FALLS COUNTY, STATE OF IDAHO
FEBRUARY 13, 2024

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of School District No. 413, Twin Falls County, State of Idaho was held at the Filer Intermediate School Library, Filer, Idaho, on February 13, 2024, as provided in section 33-510 and 67-2345 et seq. Idaho Code.

Present when the training began at 4:00 p.m. were Trustees Jenni Lanting, Joe Maloney, Jeff Volle, Tammy Kelly, Superintendent Kelli Schroeder, Business Manager Arron Phinney, and Clerk Teresa Kullhem.

The trustees reviewed committee assignments for the year. The City of Filer entered the meeting to review their city comprehensive plan, asking for a trustee or two to be on the committee as they work toward the future of Filer. Discussion was held on board norms and protocols. The training time was adjourned until the regular board meeting time.

Trustee Deetz entered the meeting at 5:58

Chairman Lanting called the meeting to order.

Trustee Maloney made a motion to approve the agenda as posted. Trustee Volle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Filer's Finest

Tonight, the school board recognizes two employees from the elementary school as Filer's Finest. Principal Zimmers presented Camille Paxton and Lilli Prescott and praised them for their work and dedication to the students and staff in the building.

Community Comment

Four individuals, Danielle Drake, Annie Blass, Reuben Azevedo, and Barbara Morgan, all addressed the board with their concerns.

2024-2025 Calendar

Principal Shane Hild and FEA President Camille gave an update on results from the survey that the committee sent out to the community. Timmothy Litherland with the transportation department, presented some numbers regarding four-day vs. five-day and the hourly differences. Superintendent Schroeder gave the history of the four-day school week and presented some data regarding a four-day school week, ending with her recommendation to maintain a five-day school week, as that is what she feels is best for students.

Trustee Maloney made a motion to continue with the five-day calendar for the 2024-2025 school year, beginning the year on August 19th, with school being in recess for 3 days during the fair, and the school year ending before Memorial Day. Trustee Kelly seconded the motion. Trustee Deetz opposed the motion. Motion carried.

The chairman would like to form a committee to look at teacher contract days to see how we, as a district, can help to encourage and support our teachers.

Spring Break Student Travel Request – Jana Humphries

Jana Humphries is taking a group of students to Europe in March. The trip begins before Spring Break is planned so she is asking that the students who are going on this trip would have activity excused absences for the four days before Spring Break. She also asks that the board would grant her two days of professional development. She would take the other two days as personal time.

Trustee Maloney made a motion to approve the request that students be excused for the four extracurricular days that they will be on their EF Tours trip, with two professional development days given to the staff that are going as well. Trustee Deetz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

School/Department Reports

School and department reports were presented to the board as information. A shout out was given to Capital Educators for the grants that have been given to our teachers.

Student Body Representative: Kynan and Kayle Maloney gave the high school report of upcoming events. The boys basketball teams begin district play tonight while the girls basketball team will start state play tomorrow.

Student Achievement

Superintendent Schroeder gave information to the board on how standards for teachers are laid out by the State Department of Education. She referenced examples from their website. As the district looks to approve new curriculum, the committees will need to be sure the curriculum they are researching reaches the standards set by the state.

Consent Agenda

The consent agenda includes: (A) Approval of Minutes from 1/9/24 Regular; (B) Approval of Monthly Expenditures, (C) Financial Reports, and (D) SBAA Reports; (E) Approval of Resignations: Rob Anderson (FHS Assistant Football Coach), Shannon Banfield (FHS Assistant Girls Soccer Coach), Kelly Grayson (FIS Teacher), Carol Beeson – Retirement (FES Teacher); (F) Approval of Hires: Kristina Blevins (FES SpEd Para); (G) Approval of Emergency School Closures from 1/22/24 (inclement weather), 1/16/24 (facility failure), and 1/17/24 (inclement weather).

Trustee Kelly made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Trustee Maloney seconded the motion. Trustee Deetz opposed the motion. Motion carried.

Business Manager/Clerk Training

RFP Recommendation for PA Systems at FMS and FHS

The district put out a bid for new PA systems at both the middle school and high school. The district received bids from two companies. The committee is choosing to go with PMT and would like to recommend PMT to the board for approval.

Trustee Maloney made a motion to accept the recommendation to go with PMT. Trustee Kelly seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Bus Bid – Bryson Bus Company

The district is looking to purchase a new travel bus for our fleet. The recommendation is being made to go with Bryson Bus Company. The new bus will have air conditioning and undercarriage storage for team equipment.

Trustee Maloney made a motion to accept the recommendation to purchase a bus through Bryson Bus Company. Trustee Volle seconded the motion. Trustee Deetz opposed the motion. Motion carried.

Superintendent's Report

FSD Foundation

Trustee Volle presented the board with information regarding setting up a foundation. Kendra Lockwood and Janan Claiborn will be the lead in setting the foundation up and will also be a part of the foundation board. The foundation will be set up to help students in need, will give teachers money for classroom supplies, help graduating seniors with scholarships, and develop a teacher appreciation week.

Trustee Kelly made a motion to move forward with setting up the Filer School District Foundation. Trustee Deetz seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Policy Update Revisions – Second Reading

Superintendent Schroeder presented the second reading on the policies revisions that were first posted last month.

Trustee Maloney made a motion to approve the second reading to update the presented policies. Trustee Volle. seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Policy 1500 Revision

Superintendent Schroeder present Policy 1500 which states the day and time of the monthly board meetings for the year. Since the board changed the monthly meetings to the third Wednesday of the month for this year, the policy was changed to reflect that.

Trustee Maloney made a motion to approve the changes to Policy 1500. Trustee Kelly seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Safe Return to School Plan

Superintendent Schroeder presented the Safe Return to School Plan that the district is required to post, by law.

Trustee Kelly made a motion to approve the current posting of the Safe Return to School Plan. Trustee Volle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

FHS Fall Coach Rehires

Fall Coach Rehires will be discussed in executive Session.

Superintendent Evaluation Goals

Superintendent Schroeder will be presenting evaluation goals in executive session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
RESOLUTION TO RECESS FROM AN OPEN MEETING
INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Chairman announced that the next order of business would be the consideration of the Board recessing into executive session for the purpose of conducting further business.

After a full and complete discussion, upon motion duly made by Trustee Maloney and seconded by Trustee Kelly, the following resolution was presented:

BE IT RESOLVED. That the Board of Trustees of School District No. 413 recess from an open meeting into executive session pursuant to Section 74-206(1)(b) consider the evaluation of a staff member, individual agent or public school student under section 74-206 (1)(b), Idaho Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that following the executive session the Board will reconvene in public session for purpose of conducting further business or for adjournment of the meeting.

Vote being had on the above and foregoing resolution, and the same having been counted and found to be as follows:

Bill Deetz	Yes
Jeff Volle	Yes
Joe Maloney	Yes
Jenni Lanting	Yes
Tammy Kelly	Yes

And no less than two-thirds (2/3) of the membership in favor thereof, the Chairman declared said resolution adopted.

The board went into executive session at 7:50 p.m.

The board reconvened into open session at 8:43 pm.

Trustee Maloney made a motion to table the FHS Fall Coach Rehires until the March board meeting. Trustee Deetz seconded the motion. Trustee Volle opposed the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman Lanting adjourned the meeting at 8:43 p.m.

Jenni Lanting
Chairman

Teresa Kullhem
Clerk